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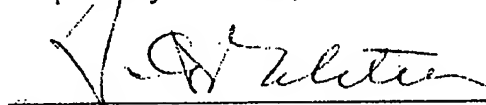
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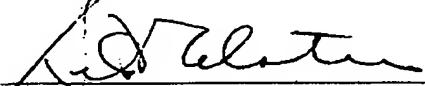
In response to the restriction requirement dated August 5, 2003, applicant herewith conditionally elects with traverse Group I, namely, Claims 1-20, drawn to a shrink wrapping machine, classified in class 53, subclass 128.1. Examination of the elected Group is requested.

The restriction requirement is traversed: The apparatus of claims 1-20 and method of claim 21 are inherently related and properly should co-exist in the same application. A restriction requirement is an economic burden to the small-entity assignee of applicants, and so should be avoided.

If any issue could be readily resolved or other action could be taken to advance this application, such as Examiner's amendment, it is requested that Examiner telephone the undersigned.

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